



MARCH

EAGLE CREEK PARK 2018

Earth Discovery Center (EDC) 317-327-7148
Ornithology Center (OC) 317-327-BIRD (2473)
 Open Monday-Saturday 9-5, Sunday 1-5
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 Open Monday-Friday 9-5

Programs located at:
Earth Discovery Center
Ornithology Center
 Other (location)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						3 8am Polar Plunge (Beach) 9am-5pm Woodcarvers Show 1:30pm Discovery Class- What's the Buzz about Native Bees? 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
4 9am Birdwalk 9am-5pm Woodcarvers Show 1:30pm Feeding Time 2:30pm Meet a Raptor	5 9am Homeschool Jamboree Registration begins (online) 9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir- Good Day Good Night	6 <div> The 27th Annual Woodcarvers and Woodturners Exhibit, takes place March 3rd & 4th, from 9am-5pm at the EDC. Artists will be on hand to discuss their work, and demonstrate techniques! Free with park admission. </div> 	7 8:30am Volunteer Coffee Talk 2pm March Migration 	8 	9 4pm Nature Journaling	10 1:30pm Discovery Class- Baby Bird Basics 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
11 9am Birdwalk 1:30pm Feeding Time 2:30pm Meet a Raptor	12 9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir- Squirrels Leap, Squirrels Sleep	13 <div> discuss their work, and demonstrate techniques! Free with park admission. </div> 	14 	15 10:30am Little Ducklings\$ 	16 4pm Gardening for the Birds	17 1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
18 9am Birdwalk 1:30pm Feeding Time 2:30pm Meet a Raptor	19 9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir- Bunny's Noisy Book 	20 	21 	22 	23 4pm Raptor Babies 6:30pm Friday Night Hoots\$	24 1:30pm Discovery Class- Wildlife Baby Shower 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
25 9am Birdwalk 1:30pm Feeding Time 2:30pm Meet a Raptor	26 9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir- Mud	27 	28 	29 	30 Good Friday EDC/OC/Office CLOSED Park Grounds OPEN	31 1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding

Recurring Programs

Recurring programs are free with park admission.

Saturdays:

Nature Discovery Class, 1:30pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Stop by every Saturday for a fun activity! Topics vary - possible activities include nature hikes, pond life, simple crafts, and more!



Raptor Feeding Time, 2:30pm at the Ornithology Center. Join a naturalist to watch us feed one or more of our birds of prey. Feeding only takes a few minutes so don't be late!

Sundays:

Sunday Morning Birdwalk, 9-11am at the Ornithology Center. Join a group of new and experienced birders for a brisk morning bird walk! Meets rain or shine. Walk is not geared toward children but they are welcome to attend.

EDC Feeding Time, 1:30-2pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Watch as our educational amphibians, reptiles, and other critters enjoy their lunch! On the menu: worms, mice, salad, crickets, and frozen bloodworms, yum!



Meet A Raptor, 2:30-3pm at the Ornithology Center. Join a naturalist to discover the world of raptors! You will meet one or more of our special birds of prey and learn about what makes them raptors.

Mondays:

Story Time on the Reservoir, 9:30am at the Earth Discovery Center. After reading a nature-themed story, participants will visit stations at their own pace. Stations will vary but may include puppets, coloring pages, artifacts with a naturalist, or additional books. Program best suited for preschool and kindergarten, but early elementary students are welcome to join.

Fridays:

Rotating Bird Programs, 4pm at the Ornithology Center. Check the front for topics of the day. Activities could include live birds, crafts, games, or other hands-on educational programs.

March Programs

To register for programs go to www.indyparks.org and enter the 5 digit course #. Free programs do not require registration.

Mar 3 & 4 (Sat & Sun) **Woodcarvers Show**, 9am-5pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Watch as master woodworkers demonstrate their expert skill and craftsmanship! Test your own carving skills at our soap carving station! This family friendly event is free with park admission.

Mar 3 (Sat) **Polar Plunge**, 8am at the beach area. Get your chill' on and sign up today to join hundreds of Hoosiers that help support sports training and athletic competition for more than 13,000 Special Olympics Indiana athletes by jumping in a cold body of water near you. Register at: <http://soindiana.org/polar-plunge/>

Mar 5 (Mon) **Homeschool Jamboree Registration Begins**, begins at 9am and stays open for 2 weeks or until full. To register go to www.indyparks.org and enter course code #14501. Class information will be posted 1 week before registration begins at the Eagle Creek Park Homeschool Page: www.indy.gov/eaglecreek and click on the homeschool tab on the left. Jamboree will take place April 6.

Mar 7 (Wed) **Volunteer Coffee Talk**, 8:30am at the Earth Discovery Center. Join us the first Wednesday of every month for an environmental presentation. A great chance to meet park volunteers and learn more about volunteer opportunities. Everyone is welcome! Free with park admission.

Mar 15 (Thurs) **Little Ducklings-Prairies**, 10:30-11:30am at the Ornithology Center. Learn easy ways to engage your preschooler in nature and encourage their curiosity in the natural world. A new topic will be introduced each class through hands-on activities, hikes, stories, and take-home ideas for continuing exploration at home. Sign up for a single class or multiple! Ages 3-5 with adult, \$5/child, #14556.

Mar 23 (Fri) **Friday Night Hoots**, 6:30-8pm at the Ornithology Center. See live owls up close and take a night hike to discover the owls of the park! Children under 18 must be accompanied by a registered adult.

Bring a flashlight! \$8/person; \$2 discount/person for 3+ registrants, call 317-327-2473 to register with discount. All ages, #14534.

Mar 30 (Fri) **Good Friday, Park Office, Earth Discovery Center, Ornithology Center CLOSED**. Park grounds open dawn to dusk.

Did You Know?

- When baby sea otters are born, they're actually too fluffy to sink.
- While still in the egg, chicks can communicate with each other and mom by cheeping through the shell.
- Just like infants suck their thumbs, baby elephants suck their trunks for comfort.
- Once baby joeys become too big for their mothers pouch, an opossum will carry them on her back.
- Emperor penguin moms and dads alternate roles while raising a chick, one will hunt for food while the other stays to keep the baby warm and safe.

